

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 and 7-28 are allowed by the Notice of Allowance dated September 21, 2006. The issue fee was due December 21, 2006 and was paid November 1, 2006.

Applicants have amended claims 8-10 and 12 to regulate the use of punctuation and conjunctions in the claims. Further, claims 20 and 23 have been amended to be in proper multiple dependent format pursuant to the guidelines set forth in MPEP § 608.01(n). No new matter has been added by way of these amendments nor has the scope of the claims changed. A new search and/or consideration are not required.

Applicants note that the Preliminary Amendment sent June 23, 2006 contained a number of typographical errors in the body of claim 21, but were not noted as amendments. Claim 21 is now listed above in its proper form, as filed in the original application. No new matter is added.

CONCLUSION

If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 04-0100 referencing docket no. 09852/000N081-US0.

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